--- 1/9th Pound - Blue - “Series of 1897” - 247 x 15 mm ---

The catalogue lists the “Series of 1897” recess printed 1/9th pound blue strip as follows:

RP-718 - 1/9th pound, blue, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal* mesh wove, with 4½ mm. red controls - 247 x 15 mm

The control numbering was a repeating cycle from **000001** to **9999999**. Thus, maintaining a consecutive control listing serves only to provide a measure of the relative scarcity of a particular strip. There is no way to tell if, and how many times ABN repeated the control numbering cycle. Extant unused strips are mainly late date *remnants* which became available when the strips were declared to be obsolete.

These *control-free* 1/9th pound ***blue*** strips occur on paper with an indistinct *horizontal* mesh. Perhaps they were printed at a later date. These may be unused remnant copies. These *control-free* strips are the same length as the production strips on *vertical mesh* wove.

RP-718n - 1/9th pound, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal* mesh wove, without control numbering - 248 x 15 mm

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RP-718n - 1/9th pound, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal* mesh wove, without control numbering,
Stamped **Registered** and **CANCELLED** in violet ink - 247 x 15 mm

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RP-718 PP - 1/9th pound, plate proof, without control numbering - 247 x 15 mm

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--- Recess printed by *hand press* - with *dark tablets* - 245 x 15 mm. - scanned at 65% scale ---

--- RP-718 DP - 1/9th pound blue die proof - “CANADA-F-8” ---

--- RP-718 DP - The large (6” x 12”) *blue die proof* “CANADA-F- 8” - 244 x 15 mm. - scanned at 60% scale ---

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--- 1/9th Pound - Blue - “Series of 1897” - 247 x 15 mm. ---

--- Recess printed by *rotary press* on *horizontal* mesh wove- 4½ mm. *red controls* - scanned at 65% scale ---

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351699	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, stamped **VICTORIA / CUSTOMS**

RP-718 - 1/9th pound, *coarse roulette*, on *vertical mesh* wove, control **0730161**,
a top copy from plate No. 4 - 247 x 15 mm.

Perhaps this last block of 10,000 *vertical* mesh strips was printed by *hand press* at a late date to fill an order. I do not have the above copy **351699** to check on the direction of its paper mesh.

0730033	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730056	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730061	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730081	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette - a top copy from Plate No. 4
0730086	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730090 ★	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730100	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730161 ★	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove, top copy from Plate No. 4
0730169	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730188	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730189	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730227	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730274 ★	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730324	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730325 ★	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730302	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730361	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove, top copy from Plate No. 4
0730381	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove, a top copy from Plate No. 4
0730412	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0730425	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
0739117	RP-718	1/9th pound, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove

This last group are remnant strips, many taken from eBay.

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